

1 **STATE OF IOWA**
2 **BOARD OF EDUCATIONAL EXAMINERS**
3 **Grimes State Office Building – 400 East 14th Street**
4 **Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0147**

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6 **Minutes**

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8 **October 3, 2008**
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10 The Board of Educational Examiners held its monthly meeting on October 3, 2008.
11 Board Chair, Judy Jeffrey, called the meeting to order. Members attending were
12 John Aboud, Ying Ying Chen, Brad Dirks, Tammy Duehr, Jeffrey Henderson, Judy
13 Jeffrey, Merle Johnson, Thomas Paulsen, Greg Robinson, Jean Seeland, Bev Smith
14 and Laura Stevens. Also in attendance were Dr. George Maurer, Executive Director
15 of the Board and Julie Bussanmas, Assistant Attorney General.
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17 Dr. Maurer recommended that the agenda be amended to add Case 05-21
18 (Stipulation and Order) and move Case 08-17 from Extension of 180-day timeline to
19 Voluntary Surrender. Merle Johnson moved, with a second by Bev Smith, to
20 approve the agenda as amended. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
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22 John Aboud asked for a correction to the August 1, 2008 minutes (page 6, line 26)
23 changing “several members” to “800 members”. Merle Johnson moved, with a
24 second by Bev Smith, to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2008, August 27,
25 2008 and September 3, 2008, board meetings. The minutes were approved.
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26 **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
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28 Jean Seeland moved, with a second by Tammy Duehr, that the Board go into closed
29 session for the purposes of discussing whether to initiate licensee disciplinary
30 proceedings and discussing the decision to be rendered in a contested case,
31 pursuant to Iowa Code sections 21.5(1)(d) and 21.5(1)(f). **MOTION CARRIED**
32 **UNANIMOUSLY.**
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1 Ying Ying Chen moved, with a second by Tammy Duehr, that in **case number 08-**
2 **95**, the Board find that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including
3 witness statements and the documentary evidence, does not corroborate the
4 allegations in the complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to
5 proceed with this matter. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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7 Judy Jeffrey initiated a change in procedure to provide more efficiency in board
8 operation and it has been determined that a roll call vote is not necessary on each
9 case, unless there is a “nay” or a member recuses themselves, then there will be a
10 roll call vote in open session so that it is recorded. **MOTION CARRIED**
11 **UNANIMOUSLY.**

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13 Jean Seeland moved, with a second by Tammy Duehr, that in **case number 05-21**,
14 the Board accept the stipulation and settlement submitted by the parties, and issue
15 an Order incorporating the agreement of the parties and imposing the agreed upon
16 sanction.

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18 Tammy Duehr moved, with a second by Jean Seeland, that in **case number 07-42**,
19 the Board accept the stipulation and settlement submitted by the parties, and issue
20 an Order incorporating the agreement of the parties and imposing the agreed upon
21 sanction. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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23 Jean Seeland moved, with a second by Tammy Duehr, that in **case number 08-09**,
24 the Board accepts the Respondent’s waiver of hearing and voluntary surrender and
25 that the Board issue an order permanently revoking the Respondent’s license with no
26 possibility of reinstatement. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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28 Ying Ying Chen moved, with a second by Jean Seeland, that in **case number 08-**
29 **17**, the Board accepts the Respondent’s waiver of hearing and voluntary surrender
30 and that the Board issue an order permanently revoking the Respondent’s license
31 with no possibility of reinstatement. Roll call vote: Aboud – yes; Chen – yes; Dirks
32 – yes; Duehr – yes; Henderson – yes; Jeffrey – yes; Johnson – yes; Paulsen –

1 recused; Robinson – yes; Seeland – yes; Smith – yes; and Stevens – yes. **MOTION**
2 **CARRIED.**

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4 Tammy Duehr moved, with a second by Jean Seeland, that in **cases number 08-**
5 **20, 08-21, 08-22 and 08-23**, the Board extend the 180-day deadline for issuance
6 of the final decision, due to the need for additional time to conduct a hearing,
7 prepare a proposed decision, and review the proposed decision by the Board.

8 **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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10 Board Reports:

11 Jean Seeland reported on her presentations regarding ethics.

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13 Tammy Duehr reported that her HR Director conducts an ethics
14 presentation each year for new teachers. This was one of the best
15 discussions they have ever had and she thinks that other districts should
16 have this presentation with new teachers because it has such an impact on
17 them.

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19 Public Comment:

20 There were no public comments.

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22 Executive Director's Report:

23 Executive Director, Dr. George Maurer, presented his financial report and quarterly
24 report. The productivity and issuance of licenses has been exceptional.

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26 We recently purchased a car to give those scanning to go out to higher ed
27 institutions. Scanning at higher ed is providing efficiency in processing. We will
28 also look into placing a calendar online for scheduling so that fingerprinting can be
29 done at our office as well.

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31 At the end of October Dr. Maurer, Beth Myers and Julie Bussanmas will be going to
32 St. Louis to attend the NASDTEC Professional Practices Institute and Dr. Maurer

1 will stay an additional day to attend the NASDTEC national board meeting since he
2 is the Central States Regional Director on the Board.

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4 On November 17th, the Governor is having the 2nd board orientation for new
5 members but others who wish to attend can do so. Laura Stevens, the newest
6 board member, will be receiving information on this.

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8 Dr. Maurer informed the board that we will only print the last page of the
9 Petitions for Waiver and the Case Status Report with the exception of the
10 August and February meetings. At this time, we will provide the “entire”
11 documents.

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13 It was suggested that the Operating Guidelines and Licensure Handbook be
14 placed on the website. Dr. Maurer will look into this.

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16 Notification of licensure renewal is in the final stages of development and
17 should be available soon.

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19 Judy Jeffrey indicated that in the Executive Committee meeting that rules
20 being adopted will move to the consent agenda At that time if a board
21 member wishes to move it to a separate action, we will do so. We will begin
22 this process at the next board meeting. This is being done to provide more
23 efficiency at the meeting.

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25 Rules:

26 Merle Johnson moved, with a second by Jeff Henderson, to adopt and file the
27 changes to Chapter 14.106 regarding Adding Endorsements to Licenses. **MOTION**
28 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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30 Merle Johnson moved, with a second by Bev Smith, to adopt and file the changes to
31 Chapter 14.114 regarding Requirements for an Administrator’s License. **MOTION**
32 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Greg Robinson moved, with a second by Merle Johnson, to adopt and file the changes to Chapter 15.1(2) regarding special education teaching endorsements.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

John Aboud moved, with a second by Bev Smith, to adopt and file the changes to Chapter 14.120(1) regarding Exchange Licenses. **MOTION CARRIED**

UNANIMOUSLY.

Jean Seeland moved, with a second by John Aboud, to file under Notice of Intended Action, the proposed changes to Chapter 14.143 regarding Requirements for a Substitute Authorization. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Jean Seeland moved to table, with a second by Bev Smith, regarding the proposed changes to Chapter 25.2 regarding Definitions. **MOTION CARRIED**

UNANIMOUSLY.

Items for Discussion:

The proposal to create a professional education service license was discussed and will be brought back for further discussion.

Report:

Dr. Maurer presented the Board Goals Report.

Petitions for Waiver:

Jeff Henderson moved, with a second by Merle Johnson, that in **PFW 08-32**, Anthony Hallen, the Board deny the Petition for Waiver. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Jeff Henderson moved, with a second by Merle Johnson, that in **PFW 08-33**, Laurie Jones, the Board deny the Petition for Waiver. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

1 There being no further business, Judy Jeffrey adjourned the meeting.

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3 The Board held a work session after lunch.